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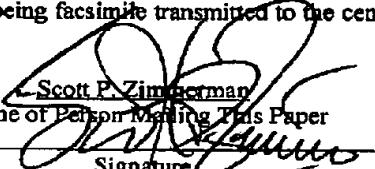
In re application of:

Donald Matthews

Group Art Unit: 3672**Application No.** 10/657,406**Examiner:** Mathew J. Smith**Filed:** September 8, 2003**Title:** "Auger Bit"

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The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment and remarks contained herein in response to the office action mailed December 10, 2004. The Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment and remarks contained herein place the instant application in condition for allowance.